



## Legislation Text

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### **ORDINANCE NO. 3332: SETTING THE AD VALOREM TAX LEVY RATE FOR 2017**

#### **COUNCIL INITIATIVE ADDRESSED:**

Continue effective financial management.

**CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW:** Required

#### **SUMMARY STATEMENT:**

The attached ordinance fixes the estimated amount to be raised by ad valorem taxes for the 2017 Budget. For 2017, the requested ad valorem tax rate is \$3.352751 per \$1,000 of assessed value. The \$3.35 per \$1,000 represents a \$0.04 decrease from the \$3.39 ad valorem tax rate levied in 2016. Based on the preliminary assessed value of \$2,717,132,232 provided by the Cowlitz County Assessor's office, the estimate for 2017 taxes payable is \$9,109,870. The attached Ordinance sets the 2017 ad valorem tax levy at 0.953% above the 2016 ad valorem tax levy. An ordinance setting the 2017 levy must be in the hands of the County Commissioners by November 30, 2016; if not, the maximum amount that can be levied is the same as that in 2016.

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 3332.

#### **STAFF CONTACT:**

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